

REMARKS

In the Office Action dated May 19, 2008, claims 1, 3, 4, 8, 9-12, 14 and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as being anticipated by Beebe. Claims 6, 7, 13, 15 and 17 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. With this Amendment, Applicants have amended claims 3, 6, 8-11 and 13-17, and cancelled claims 1, 2, 4, 5 and 12. After entry of this Amendment, claims 3, 6-11 and 13-17 are pending in the Application.

Claim 6 has been amended to include all of the limitations of claims 1 and 4. Claims 1 and 4 have been cancelled. Claim 7 was previously presented. Claims 8-11 have been amended to depend from claim 6. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 6-11 are in condition for allowance, notice of which is requested.

Claim 15 has been amended to include all of the limitations of claim 12. Claim 12 has been cancelled. Claims 3, 13, 14, 16 and 17 have been amended to depend from claim 15. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 3 and 13-17 are in condition for allowance, notice of which is requested.

It is further submitted that this Amendment has antecedent basis in the application as originally filed, including the specification, claims and drawings, and that this Amendment does not add any new subject matter to the application. Reconsideration of the application as amended is requested. It is respectfully submitted that this Amendment places the application in suitable condition for allowance; notice of which is requested.

If the Examiner feels that prosecution of the present application can be expedited by way of an Examiner's amendment, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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